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HELLO DOLLIES

FEST BRINGS HUGE CROWD TO OLD TOWN BSL — **FOR A GOOD CAUSE**

BY GEOFF BELCHER
GENERAL MANAGER

The crowd in Old Town Bay St. Louis on Saturday night was bigger, brassier and bustier than ever for the seventh annual “Dolly Should” Festival.

Running in conjunction with the Old Town Merchants Association’s monthly Second Saturday Artwalk, “Dolly Should” is the brain-child of photographer Ann Madden and jewelry artist Sandy Maggio, who created it to honor Parton, who Maggio has said is an “iconic woman. ... She’s talented and smart and gives back to the community. We’re all about this community.”

“I know that Dolly would fall in love with the Bay and her people the moment she set eyes on our little slice of heaven,” Alicein Schwabacher — who hosted Saturday’s event at her Mockingbird Cafe — said this week. “Dolly embodies the Bay spirit - authentic kindness, loves to showcase her sparkle and doesn’t take herself too seriously.”

Reba Douglas was the emcee and star performer on Saturday night.

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Photos by Geoff Belcher | Sea Coast Echo
The Mockingbird Cafe on Saturday hosted the seventh annual “Dolly Should” celebration in conjunction with the Old Town Merchants Association’s Second Saturday Artwork. Dozens of people dressed up as icon Dolly Parton for the day, and participated in a Dolly look-alike contest.

Local police, deputies probing rash of armed robberies in Hancock County

BY GEOFF BELCHER
GENERAL MANAGER

The Bay St. Louis and Waveland police departments and the Hancock County Sheriff’s Office are investigating a string of armed robberies and attempted robberies across the county in recent months.

The latest occurred last week, when an as-yet unidentified suspect attempted to rob the Hwy. 90 Quick Stop — formerly known as Poppy’s — in Bay St. Louis.

The incident occurred at approximately 10:55 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 6. It was the second robbery at that store in a month.

The suspect was wearing a trash bag, ski mask and gloves.

“The suspect was not able to enter the business after unsuccessfully trying to pull the locked

doors open,” according to a statement from the Bay St. Louis Police Department. It is believed a dark-colored midsize and full size SUV were used in the crime.”

The Hancock County Sheriff’s Office is still investigating a previous armed robbery at the Hwy. 90 Quick Stop that occurred at around 9:30 p.m. on Dec. 20 — a man in a black mask, black long-sleeved shirt, blue pants and a camouflage bucket hat forced his way behind the counter and made a store employee open the cash register at gunpoint, before emptying it and running off.

Anyone with information in that case is asked to call the Hancock County Sheriff’s Office or Central Dispatch at 228-255-9191 or Inv. Burkett with the Criminal Investigations Division at 228-466-6910.

Photo submitted
A still from surveillance video taken at Hwy. 90 Quick Stop — formerly known as Poppy’s — during an armed robbery last month.

On Nov. 28, at approximately 7:48 p.m., an unknown suspect robbed the Dollar General located at 603 Hwy.

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William “Bill” Covington announces candidacy for Justice Court Judge

SEA COAST ECHO

By issue of this release, I am formally announcing my candidacy for Hancock County Justice Court Judge, District 2.

I have been an attorney licensed in Mississippi since 1998, currently practicing in plaintiff’s personal injury and criminal defense.



William “Bill” Covington

I have lived in Hancock County since 2004.

I also previously worked with the Hancock County Sheriff’s Office beginning in 2010, until retiring from law enforcement in January, 2021, as Narcotics Division Commander under Sheriff Ricky Adam. During that time, I also served as an instructor

for the Hancock County Reserve Academy teaching constitutional law and other topics.

My prior law-related experience includes serving as Assistant District Attorney in Oklahoma City from 1997-2000, until returning home to Mississippi to engage in

private practice. I also served as municipal prosecutor pro tem for the City of Long Beach 2004-2005 in addition to my civil law practice. In all, I have over 25 years of experience as an attorney in both criminal and civil law and I look forward to

using that experience and knowledge to bring professionalism and accountability to our Justice Court in Hancock County.

Fish fry raises funds for fallen officers’ families

ECHO STAFF

The community came together on Saturday to honor fallen Bay St. Louis police Sgt. Steven Robin and Officer Branden Estorffe, and raise money for their families through a fish fry event at St. Rose de Lima Catholic Church’s Holy Spirit Center.

Volunteers at the fish fry on Saturday said the event had been “packed” and was “hugely successful.”

Robin and Estorffe lost their lives last month in the line of duty.

The event was hosted by The Brothers in Blue MC, Gulf Coast Chapter; St. Rose de Lima Catholic Church; Sarah Askew Messer with Exit Realty Heart Properties; and Brittany Zelaya with Fenech & Co. Real Estate.

Bryan Therolf, who



Photo by Geoff Belcher | Sea Coast Echo
The community rallied together on Saturday at a fish fry event at St. Rose de Lima Catholic Church’s Holy Spirit Center to raise funds for the families of fallen Bay St. Louis policemen Sgt. Steven Robin and Officer Branden Estorffe.

leads St. Rose’s annual Lenten Fish Fry, said last week that the goal was to sell “one thousand plates” with all money raised to go to the families of the fallen officers.

“Within hours of word of the tragedy getting out, (St. Rose members)

Ed Prados and Craig Saucier were on the phone, discussing how St. Rose might support the families,” Therolf said. “They came up with the idea of a fish fry,

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Hancock County Board of Education's Regular Monthly Meetings for 2023 are scheduled as follows and will begin at 5:30 p.m. unless noted otherwise.

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| • March 27, 2023 | • September 25, 2023 – Hancock Performing • Arts Center, 7140 Stennis Airport Dr., Kiln, MS Student Recognition |
| • April 24, 2023 | • October 30, 2023 |
| • May 25, 2023 | • November 30, 2023 |
| • June 26, 2023 | • December 14, 2023 |

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Hancock Tourism to host ‘Taste of Hancock County’

BY GEOFF BELCHER
GENERAL MANAGER

The Hancock County Tourism Bureau is gearing up for its first annual “Taste of Hancock County” celebration tonight at the Bay St. Louis Community Center.

“People will have the opportunity to sample different cuisines from restaurants throughout Hancock County, for one low price,” Tourism Board President Rachel Knight said. “The municipalities of Bay St. Louis, Waveland and Diamondhead and Hancock County are all providing the entrees.”

Knight said the event is more than just a fundraiser for the Hancock Tourism Bureau — it’s a celebration of Hancock County culture and cuisine.

“And it’s one more way for us to get the community together and have an evening together and support tourism in Hancock County,” Knight said.

Knight and the Silver Slipper’s Marketing Manager David Hilbert came up with the idea for the event and asked the municipalities to support it, then got the food sponsors together.

The event is scheduled to begin today, Wednesday, Jan. 18, at 5 p.m., at the BSL Community Center.

DJ Carlos Estrella will provide entertainment, and there will be both silent and live auctions; a raffle; all the food you can eat for \$15 per person or \$25 per couple; and there will be a cash bar, with beer and wine for sale.

Must be 21 or older to enter.

You can purchase tickets using Venmo@Hancock-Tourism; PayPal Hancock-Tourism; by calling 228-463-9222; or at the door.

MKOTSH announces 2023 Honor Guard



Photo by Brenda Comer

Mystic Krewe of the Seahorse presented its 2023 Captain Longbeard, Lady Claiborne, and Honor Guard at “Mutiny in the Bay” Gala on Saturday January 14, 2023. The new crew lived up to their theme “Revenge of the Seahorse” as they dined and danced with members of the Krewe and community. The new honor guard ARRGH as follows from left up the pyramid. Cyrstal Fassbender, Jill Seymour-Barnett, Kris Guidry, Linda Broadhead, Captain Longbeard’s First Mate- Debbie Baudin, Center-Lady Claiborne-Susan Brady Humphrey, Captain Longbeard Trip Trepagnier, From right- Lady Claiborne’s First Mate - Mike Cockrell, Kirk Broadhead, Chuck Guidry, Chad Barnett, and Bryan Fassbender. “Revenge of the Seahorse” will be the theme for this year’s “Lundi Gras” Parade being held on February 20, 2023.

Bay St. Louis Little Theatre Presents a new Comedy “See How They Run”

SEA COAST ECHO

The Bay St. Louis Little Theatre will open the comedy farce “See How They Run” by Philip King and directed by Jason Syverson. It is a comedy of misidentification and many doors! The cast gallops through many doors.

The show is scheduled to open on January 20, 2023. The comedy is high energy that will keep the audience laughing throughout the entire show.

The cast includes Eleanor Atkinson, Susan Sanborn, Cheryl Grace, Jeff Cabe, Sammy Raynor, Clayton Pennylegion, Irv Hansen, Mike Scultz, and Gerald Howard. Set construction and design is managed by Dean Noel. Allison Hess does set painting. Bonnie Cooper handles seamstress duties.

The show is produced by Cheryl Grace.

The show dates and times are January 20, 21, 27, and 28 at 8pm.

Sunday matinees are January 22 and 29 at 2pm.

Tickets can be purchased online at www.bsllt.org or by calling the Little Theatre at 228-467-9024.

The Little Theatre is located at 398 Blaize Avenue in the Depot District.



Photo courtesy of BSLLT

“See How They Run” cast from left standing: Michael Schultz, Irv Hansen, Clayton Pennylegion, and Jerry Howard. From left seated, Susan Sanborn, Sammy Rayner, Eleanor Atkinson, Jeff Cabe, and Cheryl Grace.

Chapman receives commendation



Photo submitted

On Jan. 5 at the Diamondhead Country Club, Starr Chapman received a commendation and a U.S. flag flown over the Capitol in Washington, D.C., from Congressman Steven S. Palazzo. “I have witnessed firsthand all you do for the community,” Palazzo wrote. You have worked hard to empower the women of South Mississippi and to provide an educational place that assists women in becoming successful in their political, civic or government arenas.”

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Art Exhibit to honor the late Jerry Dixon

SEA COAST ECHO

The public is invited to a very special Art Exhibit and Silent Auction honoring Jerry Dixon, who was largely responsible for the reputation that Bay St Louis has as an arts community. Jerry Dixon not only created Serenity Gallery, he made it a touchstone for artists and art lovers for many, many years. He worked ceaselessly to make Bay St Louis an arts destination and was instrumental in forming the Second Saturday tradition.

Jerry passed away in October 2022 and, to honor him, his personal art collection will be auctioned off to benefit The Arts, Hancock County and the Hancock County Animal Shelter.

Over the years, Jerry collected art from artists near and far. Approximately 75 pieces of art are included in the Art Exhibit and Sale. Friends of Jerry’s are hosting a four day Art Exhibit and Silent Auction of his personal art collection at the Hancock Arts Center.

The Exhibit will run from January 24 through the 27th only. The Hancock

Arts Center, located at 405 Blaize Avenue in Bay St Louis, is open 9:00am to 4:30pm, Tuesday through Saturday.

Individuals may bid on more than one piece but only one bid per person can be the winning bid. The final bids for the Silent Auction will be tallied at a reception Friday the 27th, 5:00 to 7:30pm. The Silent Auction with staggered close outs on bids will begin at 6:15. The person who bids the highest must be present at that time to take home the art work.

“Something wonderful is always happening” was first painted on the front of Jerry’s gallery on Main Street. After Katrina, Ellis Anderson, owner of the former Quarter Moon Gallery, commissioned a new sign. Today that sign can be seen at the Mockingbird Cafe. The sign’s positivity and exuberance perfectly describes Jerry Dixon and has inspired countless others. His legacy lives on with his legion of friends and admirers.

For more information, call Angelle at The Arts, Hancock County (228) 342-4521.

Mystic Krewe of the Seahorse is offering the 2nd annual hospitality scholarship program – deadline is Jan. 20

SEA COAST ECHO

The Mystic Krewe of the Seahorse takes its name from the USS Seahorse and the Battle of Bay St. Louis between the United States Navy and the British Navy on December 13-14, 1814. The MKOTSH is honoring those courageous sailors who valiantly fought for this Country’s independence. MKOTSH is a 501c(4) nonprofit organization with over 300 active members with the mission to promote economic growth in Bay St. Louis and raise money for local charitable organizations.

The Mystic Krewe of the Seahorse (MKOTSH) is implementing the second annual Hospitality Scholarship Program. The scholarship is open to all residents of Hancock County who are high school seniors and plan to pursue a Hospitality related program of study. The scholarship check will be made payable to the higher education institution to be attended. The amount of the scholarship is \$1,000.

The applicant must be a resident of Hancock County and a graduating high school senior in the year of the award.

The applicant must have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher and plan on pursuing a Hospitality related program of study. In addition, the applicant must be actively involved in school and community activities.

The applicant must submit a completed electronic application form, an official school transcript with cumulative grade point average, an essay and a letter of recommendation. The deadline for the scholarship committee to receive the application along with the supporting documents is January 20, 2023.

The scholarship winner will be notified via email no later than February 24, 2023. The recipient must be present at the MKOTSH Social on March 9, 2023. The scholarship check in the amount of \$1,000 will be made payable to the higher education institution to be attended and the check will be mailed directly to the institution.

Interested students can find more information along with the scholarship application by visiting the following website: www.mkotsh.com or contacting their high school counselor.

• ROBBERIES

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90. The suspect was wearing a trash bag, ski mask and gloves, and fled in a dark-colored SUV, police said.

The Waveland Police Department and Hancock County Sheriff’s Office are also investigating robberies “involving who is believed to be the same suspect(s),” according to Bay police.

At about 7:32 p.m. on Dec. 1, Waveland police were dispatched to the Mobil Food Mart — also

known as “Stop & Shop” — after an armed robbery there.

“Officers arrived and spoke to the store clerk, who advised that she was sweeping the store when a man with a gun walked in and ordered here to open the cash register and for her to give him all of the money in the register,” Waveland Police Chief Michael Prendergast said at the time. “The male took the cash and ordered her not to move while he pointed the gun at her. (He) grabbed the cash and ran out of the store.”

The suspect was de-

scribed as a black male, approximately 5’7” with a slender build and dreadlocks. He was wearing red Adidas jogging pants at the time of the robbery.

“We ask anyone with information to contact the Bay St. Louis Police Criminal Investigations Division at 228-466-5484,” according to the Bay P.D. statement. “Also, anyone with information can receive up to a \$2,500 cash reward by contacting MS Coast Crime Stoppers at 222.p3tips.com/523 or call 1-877-787-5898.”

went to Madison Hansell; third place to team Paulette Dove and Michelle Alee, who dressed as Dolly and Porter Waggoner.

In the children’s category, first place went to Baby Winnie Ball; second place to Frankie Adams; and third to Dolly the Pup and Kerry Maloney as Kenny Rogers.

Schwabacher said the event raised \$400 for the Gulf Coast Center for Non-Violence.

• DOLLY

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Dozens of people showed up at the Mockingbird Cafe in Dolly drag on Saturday, and many of them registered for the Dolly look-alike contest, Schwabacher said. The first-place winner was Chris Gaston. Second place

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and the parish rallied behind the idea.”

Prados, Saucier and Therolf immediately organized a committee, and with the support and encouragement of Fr. Anil Thomas, S.V.D., pastor of St. Rose, the committee began receiving support from the business

community and city leaders.

Momentum continued to grow for the fish fry as word spread of another group planning a fundraiser for the same day. Mayor Mike Favre suggested to the Brothers in Blue Motorcycle Club to talk with the St. Rose fish fry organizers.

The two groups joined together, and the Brothers in Blue provided pastalaya, and a

Yeti cooler and wheelbarrow full of spirits to raffle off and further help the cause.

“It’s amazing how two different organizations planning different events for the same cause came together,” said Brothers in Blue Motorcycle Club Gulf Coast Gamblers chapter president Josh Messer. “Our plans fit together perfectly. That had to be God’s plan.”

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AN IMPORTANT ASSET

With each passing day that my nephew lives in Alaska, I find myself missing him more and more.

Of course, I missed him before he even made the long journey to Alaska back during the summer.

It makes me ever so grateful for technology like FaceTime so that I can see his little face, laugh at his crazy antics, and watch him build a Lego set or draw a picture or cartoon.

And the phone calls are just precious. He will call me and, like I’ve said many times, hearing that little “Hey, Cass Cass” just melts my heart.

A lot of times, he will call me and ask me what the definition of a word is. And so far, I’ve been able to explain a definition on the spot to him. It also makes me feel incredibly special to know that he feels like he can call me and ask me those things.

The last time he asked me, after I gave him the definition of the word “invincible,” I told him that it might be a good idea to get a dictionary so that he can learn how to look up the definition of the words himself.

But, I also assured him that he could still call me whenever he needs or wants to.

Now, he wants a dictionary.

I, myself, still have to look up words to make sure I’m using them properly. There’s no shame in that, we should always be learning and willing to look into things we are unsure of.

Nowadays, I will Google the definition, but I remember when the luxury of the Internet was unavailable for answers to my questions.

During my school years, I spent so much time at the Hancock County Library System’s branch in Bay St. Louis.

Whether it be reading all the books I could during the Summer Reading Program or researching a particular subject for a school paper.

My favorite types of assignments during high school and college were writing book reports and papers where I had to argue a particular thesis. I had saved every college paper I wrote, so that I could look back on some of them in my later years. Sadly, those were lost during Hurricane Katrina.

Years later, my mom got at the Bay St. Louis branch, and I would pop in to say hello to her and the other staff members.

It was, and still is, a warm and welcoming place full of all kinds of information. I often miss those



STAFF COLUMN
By Cassandra Favre

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Hancock History: The Old Federal Road

At the turn of the Nineteenth Century, there were no good roads in the Mississippi Territory which included the land representing the present-day state of Alabama.

A fort was built north of Mobile, Fort Stoddard, in 1799. This fort was located on the Tombigbee River at the southern border between American territory and the Spanish West Florida Colony which contained the city of Mobile. Southern Mississippi was Choctaw Country and the US Government did not have permission to cross through that territory. Consequently, a peace treaty was negotiated with the Choctaw to allow a trail to be made across Mississippi from Natchez to Fort Stoddard for supply and troop deployment. This trail probably followed an ancient Indian byway that might match the course

of present-day Highway #98 (Natchez-McComb-Columbia-Janice-Fort Stoddard).

In 1803, President Thomas Jefferson purchased the Louisiana Colony from Napoleon which included the City of New Orleans. Jefferson then instructed his Indian Agent, Benjamin Hawkins, to negotiate an agreement with the Creek Indians to permit the creation of a “Horse Path” through their territory in Alabama for postal riders. A direct route from Washington, DC to New Orleans would reduce by five hundred miles the distance required for the delivery of mail.

Mail at that time was carried from Washington DC to Nashville to Natchez to New Orleans. In a 1805 Treaty of Washington the Creek Indians agreed to a narrow horse path.

By 1806 the Post-

master General contracted for the clearing of a four-foot-wide horse path from Athens, Georgia to Fort Stoddard. The road was also being viewed as a future highway for the movement of troops if war should break out with Great Britain. In such a war the Creeks would ally with the English against the Americans. The Choctaw would ally with the Americans against the English. Indian Agent Hawkins worked with the US Military to finish the horse path. He actually wanted to use Creek Indians as postal riders. The Creeks also wanted to establish primitive taverns or lodges for the riders which would be profit centers for the Indians. By 1810 bridges rather than toll ferries were constructed by the army over waterways to allow speedy transport of wagons. Unfortunately, the Creek War in

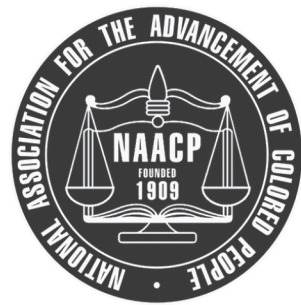
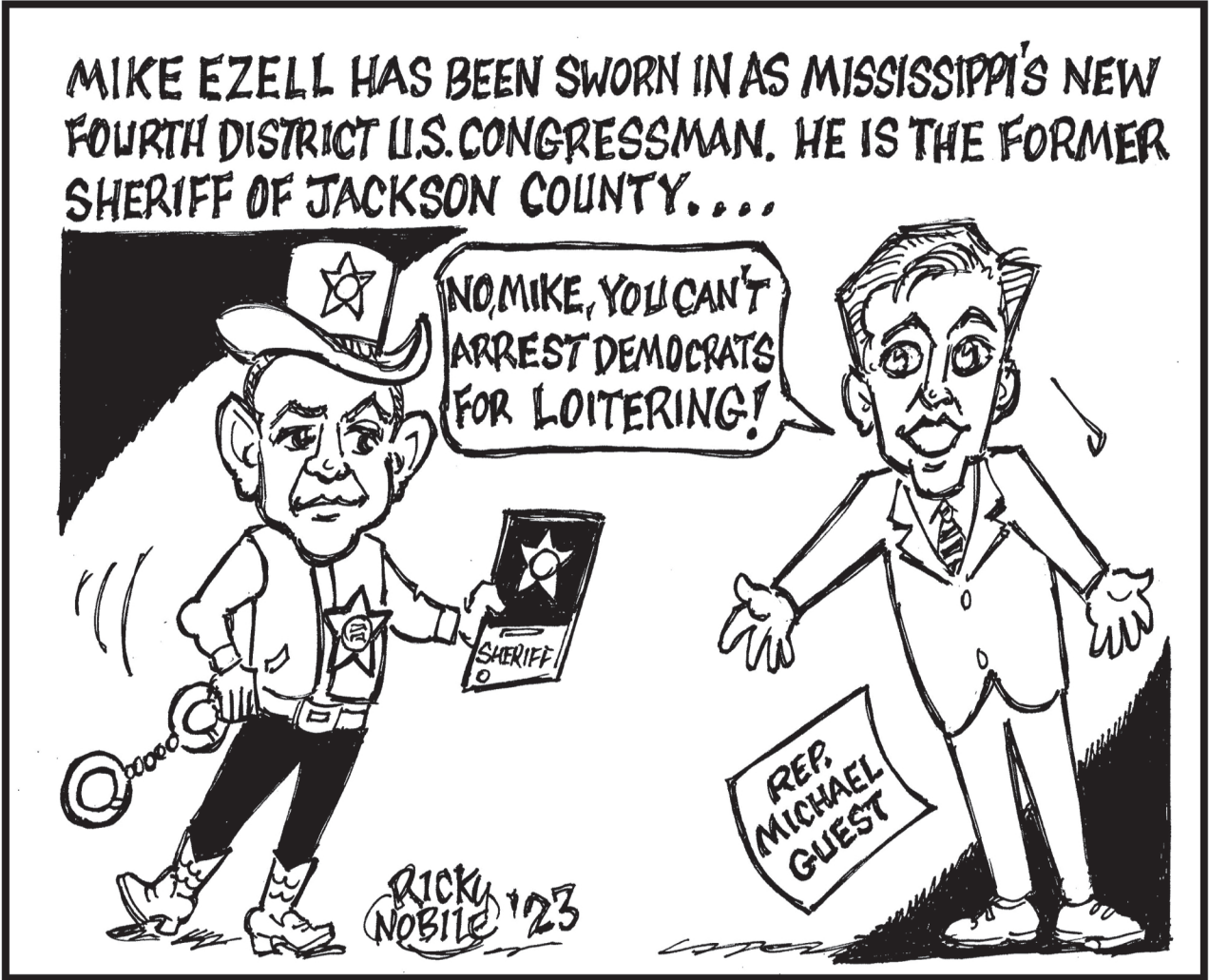


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By James Keating
M.D.

1813 suspended the use of this direct Washington to New Orleans postal route which had acquired the name of “The Old Federal Road.”

Nevertheless, this road was useful for the transport of men and materiel for General Andrew Jackson in the War of 1812. As a matter of fact, just before the Battle of New Orleans

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Guest Column By Andrea Dedeaux

The NAACP was formed in 1909 partly in response to the horrible practice of lynching and violence that was committed against blacks. Its national office was opened in New York in 1910 and a white constitutional lawyer was named as its president. There are now over 2,200 branches in all 50 states and in other countries. The National Office is committed to addressing the issues of today, such as Black Lives Matter, LGBTQ issues, woman’s issues, and criminal justice reform. According to the President and CEO Derrick Johnson, a national

NAACP

listening tour was held in order to gather information and better address these issues. This has never before been done in the 110 year history of the organization. The mission of the NAACP is to ensure the political, educational, social and economic equality of minority group citizens.

There are six individual units that comprise the Coast NAACP family. Those are Jackson, Hancock, Stone, and Pearl River counties, and two in Harrison, one in Biloxi and one in Gulfport. Major issues for our branch are Education, voting rights, and political involvement. Our branch holds several voter registration drives throughout the year. One major problem in Han-

cock County is that people who can vote don’t. We try to get as many people as we can to the polls.

One of the main problems the local branch faces is the same one other organizations in our community face, and that is aging out. Our members are getting older and we are not getting younger people to replace us and continue the fight for the advancement of minorities and persons of color. We need to inspire our local youth to join us so they will take up the torch.

As Mark Twain said, “History never repeats itself, but it does often rhyme.” We, as a nation have seen examples of this in the disproportionate number of blacks

killed in traffic stops or interactions with law enforcement over minor offenses, or even in their own homes. These incidents have been called by some “modern day lynchings”. The movement to enact an anti lynching bill was begun in the 1890’s. The Emmett Till Anti Lynching Bill was not signed until 2022. The Emancipation Proclamation (the 13th Amendment) which freed all slaves was signed on January 1, 1863. Mississippi was a holdout. State lawmakers were upset that they had not been compensated for the value of their slaves. Mississippi never submitted the

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Arrests logged at the hancock county justice facility from the past week. appearance on the jail log is not indicative of guilt, merely a record that an arrest has been made.

ECHO STAFF.

Thomas W. Kapp, 32, contempt of court failure to appear x 3
Dayquan D. Perkins, 22, armed robbery
Quatavis M. Johnson, 20, disorderly conduct; petit larceny
Patrick E. Robinson, 33, shoplifting
Hunter H. Haas, 39, altered hull identification numbers; receiving stolen property x 3; hold for other agency; parole violation
Ricardo D. Mendoza-Melgar, 19, statutory rape; hold for ICE
Kyle W. Barlow, 34, careless driving; driving while license suspended/revoked; fail to signal; no proof-of-liability insurance card; possession of paraphernalia
Steven W. Berry, 55, simple domestic violence simple assault
Crockett L. Woodcock, 34, probation violation
Amber N. Nicholson,

33, contempt of court failure to appear
Samuel D. Seals, 29, misdemeanor possession of controlled substance
Jonas Miller, 48, disorderly conduct
Rana L. Vosbein, 33, felony possession of controlled substance; probation violation
Donald G. Hendricks, 64, probation violation
Brenda L. Ferreira, 51, DUI 1st offense
James E. Mollohan Jr., 47, felony possession of controlled substance
Charles D. Green, 41, contempt failure to appear
Henry P. Jordan III, 21, contempt failure to appear x 2
Parker D. Waltman, 24, contempt of court failure to appear
Dale C. Decamp Jr., 48, simple assault causing bodily injury x 5
Daron K. Ray, 31, felony possession of controlled substance; controlled substance to sell, barter transfer, manufacture, distribute, dispense or possess with intent to sell, barter transfer, manufacture, distribute, dispense; controlled substance: trafficking; felony possession of con-

trolled substance
Angel R. Cosme III, 28, speeding in school zone; motor vehicle: punishment for violations where no specific penalty provided; possession of paraphernalia
Jared W. Cuevas, 35, contempt of court violation of protective order or court approved consent agreement; burglary
Brandy A. Rowell, 39, possession of paraphernalia; misdemeanor possession of controlled substance; felony possession of controlled substance
Jerry G. Johnson, 44, felony possession of controlled substance; contempt of court failure to appear
Patrick M. McReynolds, 51, felony possession of controlled substance
Tristan J. Ferrill, 18, contempt failure to appear
Brandy L. Hupp, 44, contempt failure to appear
Sheila Mooney, 59, contempt of court failure to appear
Steven D. Melton, 37, contempt failure to appear (payment hearing)
Amber N. Shea, 34,

felony possession of controlled substance
Jared J. Bourque, 28, receiving stolen property
Ottis Hayes, 42, forgery
Raymond S. Schneider, 29, felony possession of controlled substance
Melissa A. Watts, 35, possession of marijuana or synthetic cannabinoids in a motor vehicle; controlled substance or counterfeit substance violations
Jacy M. Miller, 48, shoplifting; possession of paraphernalia; contempt failure to appear
Deshone M. Pfister, 46, simple assault x 2; disturbance in public place; disorderly conduct; motor vehicle resisting/obstructing arrest; drunkenness/profanity in public place
April D. Meeks, 42, disorderly conduct
Joshua M. Slocum, 35, contempt of court
Joshua M. Slocum, 35, shoplifting
Jonathan L. Anaya, 38, felony possession of controlled substance
Bruce L. Barker, 52, possession of paraphernalia; felony possession of controlled substance

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in 1815, Jackson moved an army of approximately 3,000 soldiers from Mobile through Pearlington/Madisonville to New Orleans in just eleven days using the eastern part of this road in Mississippi. At Janice, in present day DeSoto National Park, Jackson’s army marched toward Hancock County going through Sellers on the Crane Creek-Necaise-Caesar Road, which was another ancient byway.
The Old Federal Road became the route through Alabama for the “Great Migration” of settlers to the “Old Southwest” in the first

half of the Nineteenth Century. Early pioneer settlers like the Lees of Leetown, and the Smith, Harial, and Shaw ancestors drove ox-driven wagons down the Old Federal Road, certainly in Alabama, to homestead in the northern part of Hancock County in communities like Sellers, Crane Creek, Steep Hollow, and Necaise Crossing. The actual postal route or Old Federal Road is less well established in Mississippi by historians because the intended route varied. In the original design the horse path was to extend from Fort Stoddard from east to west just above the 31st parallel to the Pearl River. At that point the path would turn south to Madisonville on the north shore of Lake Pontchartrain. During the Great Migration travelers would turn south

at different spots to find good sites for farming in the northern part of Hancock County. One should not confuse the Old Federal Road with the Jackson Military Road that was completed in 1820 connecting Nashville with Madisonville, La.
Thomas Jefferson appreciated the need for the Federal Government to invest in highway infrastructure to foster settlement of these newly acquired territories. Such roads in our history such as Daniel Boone’s Great Wilderness Road (the Cumberland Gap Road), the Natchez Trace, and the Oregon Trail were the vehicles of overland transportation that accomplished the “Manifest Destiny” of populating the United States from the Atlantic Ocean coast to the Pacific Ocean coast.

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days of just sitting in the library and spending my time finding the correct reference for my topic.
In college it was the same. The library at Ole Miss is gigantic. I got lost several times during my tenure there.
But again, once I finally found my materials, I would find a quiet spot and work on my reports.
I’ve never subscribed to the idea of E-books. It’s just not my thing. I love the smell of books. I love the way they feel in my hands.
I enjoy turning the pages and finding out what happens next.
Plus, bookmarks are pretty cute items to have.
I’m on my phone and

computer enough and, after reading on those bright screens, my eyes always feel so tired and just hurt. Sometimes, it will trigger a headache and I have to sit in a dark room for a while.
However, E-books and other library items available via Internet, are a great resource for people who might be homebound, traveling, or who need a quick answer and can’t make the trip to the local library.
I’m glad my nephew is asking for a dictionary. I like to see him starting to learn how to use a tangible thing to build his vocabulary.
It’s good for him to not rely solely on my word for things, no matter how special it might make me feel. I don’t have all the answers, but I will always try and point in him in the right

direction.
I hope that, instead of always turning to the Internet for “research,” which is not always reliable, people will encourage each other to pay a visit to the library to find the answers to some of their questions.
If they can’t find it on their own, staff members

are always willing to help.
A local library is a great resource for communities, because education is and will always be an important asset.
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This lovely lady, Star, is a more mature gal at 8 years of age. She is very shy, and spends most of the day napping in one of the kitty condos in our Cat Adoption Room. She would make a sweet companion for a single person or couple without other pets. A home with older children is preferred, as she may be spooked by the natural rambunctiousness of small kids. If you are looking for a quiet baby who will keep you company and give lots of love, please consider visiting Star in our Cat Room at the Hancock County Animal Shelter.



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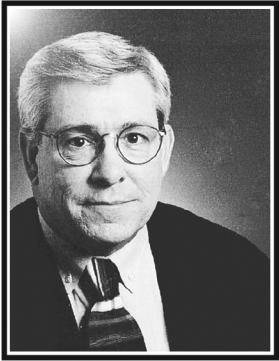
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Devotional Page

Spiritual Growth and Evolving Faith

By **REV. C. GERALD RICHARDSON, D. MIN**



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Spiritual faith is mysterious, and sometimes, a journey which takes us into unexpected places. There are accounts of persons who encounter faith in moments of extreme revelation. Like the story of the Apostle Paul in the New Testament, there are some who report that they received

enlightenment in a moment of blinding experience which convinces them of a fresh spiritual reality. Others, C. S. Lewis is a primary example, reach a place of faith after serious and diligent study and reflection which is informed by a philosophical process. Such processes can, and sometimes have, reached differing results. Some lead to faith, others lead to additional doubt. It is probable that most people arrive at their spirituality through a lengthy period of exposure to religious thought. This often, although not always, comes by means of growing up in a family which is guided by the insights and doctrines of a particular religion. Growing up in the church, and being molded and

guided by its principles is probably the most common way that people reach their own spiritual values. My own experience includes being reared in a moderate protestant congregation in the southern United States which instilled in me the basic ideas of the Christian story. While I surely did not comprehend the many questions surrounding theology and interpretation at the time, I was provided with a foundation which allowed for exploration and consideration of ways in which the ancient stories could apply to my life. Many years of undergraduate and graduate biblical and theological study broadened the horizons of that background. The journey continues. The important truth in all of this is for each of us to recognize

the value of the pilgrimage of a spiritual life. This practice is not as simple as accepting what we have always thought as obvious truth. When we follow that path, we will almost surely be misguided. Growth is the goal. Increased insight leads us to wisdom and meaningful faith. Just because one person's faith is not identical to that of someone else does not render it invalid. Shared experiences and creative thoughts are helpful, but they do not mean that everyone comes out in the same place. Another barrier to spiritual truth is the temptation to use the bible as if it were a rule book. The collection of writings which is commonly identified as The Holy Bible has, and continues to, hold a profound place in the Judeo-Christian experience. It in-

forms, it guides, it inspires. As a person of faith, I value it immensely and read it almost every day. It is a set of reflections of people across many centuries who struggled to find meaning and relationship with that which they called God. However, the old adage "The Bible says it, I believe it, That settles it." not only fails to take reality into account, but it seriously misses the point. There is great potential in the journey of faith. It can provide comfort and strength to many of us as we traverse the variables of life. It is a worthy work. May each of our lives be enriched as we study, pray, reflect, and grow. May we also take care to avoid the conviction that we have arrived. We are still on the way.

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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE HEIRSHIP OF CHEYENNE HYER
NO. 23CH1:17-cv-614JS
RYAN HYER
PETITIONER
SUMMONS FOR KNOWN HEIRS-AT-LAW
TO: KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS-AT-LAW OF CHEYENNE HYER, DECEASED, and to any and all other persons or parties who are interested in her estate, including but not limited to, the unknown heirs-at-law, who are unknown, of Cheyenne Hyer, Deceased, who are adults, if they be living and are non-residents of the State of Mississippi, or not to be found therein after diligent search and inquiry to ascertain the same, and if dead, their unknown heirs-at-law, devisees, executors, administrators, or legal representatives, all non-residents of the State of Mississippi, or not to be found after diligent search and inquiry, and whose places of residence, post office, street and house addresses are unknown after diligent search and inquiry to ascertain the same.
You have been made Defendant in the lawsuit filed in this Court by Ryan Hyer on behalf of the Wrongful Death Heirship of Cheyenne Hyer of the Estate of Cheyenne Hyer, Deceased. The Petition filed against you has

initiated a civil action seeking to have, RYAN HYER, adjudicated and decreed by this Court to be the sole and only heirs-at-law of Cheyenne Hyer, Deceased, as fully set out in the Petition on file. YOU ARE SUMMONED TO APPEAR AND DEFEND AGAINST THE PETITION FILED AGAINST YOU IN THIS ACTION AT 9:30 A.M. ON THE 23rd DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2023, IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HARRISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, LOCATED AT 1801 23RD AVENUE, GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI; AND IN CASE OF YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR AND DEFEND, A JUDGMENT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE PETITION.
You are not required to file an answer or other pleading, but you may do so if you desire. ISSUED UNDER MY HAND and Seal of said Court, this the 12th day of December, 2022.
TIMOTHY KELLAR, CHANCERY CLERK
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
SEAL
BY: /s/Bridgette Ladner, D.C.
Publication Dates: 01/18/23, 01/25/23, 02/01/23

SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
WHEREAS, on April 29, 2019, Cody Phillip Ladner and Kaitlin Elizabeth Jewell as joint tenants with full rights of survivorship and not as tenants in common, executed a certain deed of trust to William Lee Guice, III, Trustee for the benefit of Keesler Federal Credit Union, which deed of trust is of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi in Book 2019 Page 9099; and WHEREAS, Keesler Federal Credit Union has heretofore substituted Kent D. McPhail as Trustee by instrument dated December 20, 2022 in the aforesaid Chancery Clerk's Office in Book 2022 at Page 35057; and WHEREAS, default having been made in the terms and conditions of said deed of trust and the entire debt secured thereby having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust, Keesler Federal Credit Union, the legal holder of said indebtedness, having requested the undersigned Substituted Trustee to execute the trust and sell said land and property in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust and for the purpose of raising the sums due thereunder, together with attorney's fees, trustee's fees and expense of sale. NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kent D. McPhail, Substituted Trustee in said deed of trust, will on February 01, 2023 offer for sale at public outcry and sell within legal hours (being between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.), at the Front door of the County Courthouse of Hancock County, Mississippi, located at 152 Main Street, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520, to the highest and best bidder for cash the following described property situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, to-wit: That certain tract, piece, or parcel of land being situated in the NW 1/4 of the NW 1/4 of Section 35, Township 6 South, Range 15 West, Hancock County, Mississippi, being more particularly

described as follows; to-wit: Commence at the found 1/2 inch iron pipe marking the Northwest corner of Section 35, Township 6 South, Range 15 West, Hancock County, Mississippi; thence North 89 degrees 47 minutes 18 seconds East along the North boundary of said Section 35, a distance of 231.93 feet to a set 1/2 inch re-bar on the Eastern right-of way of Bayou Bacon Road for the true Point of Beginning; thence North 89 degrees 47 minutes 18 seconds East along the North boundary of said Section 35, a distance of 919.02 feet to a set 1/2 inch re-bar; thence South 55 degrees 16 minutes 45 seconds West, a distance of 734.63 feet to a set 1/2 inch re-bar on the Northern right-of way of Bayou Bacon Road; thence around a curve to the right along the Eastern right-of way of said Bayou Bacon Road through an arc a distance of 525.23 feet, a chord bearing of North 37 degrees 12 minutes 52 seconds West, a distance of 521.15 feet to the Point of Beginning. The property contains 4.62 acres more or less, and is a part of the Northwest 1/4 of said Section 35. I WILL CONVEY only such title as vested in me as Substituted Trustee.
WITNESS MY SIGNATURE on this 21st day of December, 2022
Kent D. McPhail SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE
Kent McPhail & Associates, LLC
126 Government Street
Mobile, AL 36602 (251) 438-2333
Publication Dates: 01/04/2023, 01/11/2023, 01/18/2023 and 1/25/2023

REQUEST FOR STATEMENTS OF QUALIFICATIONS FOR DESIGN-BUILDER SERVICES FOR PROJECT AP2201, SINGLE GENERAL AVIATION HANGAR FOR STENNIS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, KILN, MISSISSIPPI
Invitation: The Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission (HCPHC) is soliciting Statements of Qualifications from qualified firms interested in performing Design-Builder services for Project AP2201, Single Bay General Aviation Hangar for Stennis International Airport. Firms with relevant experience and qualifications are encouraged to submit a Statement of Qualifications. The selection of the Design-Builder will be in accordance with Mississippi Code 31-7-13.1-Dual-phase design-build method of construction contracting: two-phase procedure for awarding contracts; compliance with minimum building code standards; awarding stipulated fees.
Phase One of the selection process includes review and evaluation of all Statements of Qualifications received and selection of a minimum of two and a maximum of five Design-Builders to participate in Phase Two and submit proposals. After evaluation of proposals received in Phase Two, the HCPHC intends to award one contract to the Design-Builder determined to offer the best value in accordance with the criteria set forth in the Request for Proposals. The full Project AP2201 - Phase One Request for Statements of Qualifications and related documents may be found at: <https://www.portairspacework.com/> Submission Requirements: All firms interested in submitting a Phase One Statement of Qualifications may submit hardcopy submissions by mail, courier, or hand delivery to the Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission, 14054 Fred & Al Key Road, Kiln, MS 39556 to the attention of Maureen Anderson. Submit five (5) bound copies and one (1) electronic formatted copy (pdf) on a USB drive. Questions regarding Project AP2201 will be accepted until seven (7) calendar days prior to the published closing time and date and shall be directed to Maureen Anderson (manderson@hcphe.ms). The Closing Time and Date for receipt of Statement of Qualifications is until 5:00 PM local time on February 9, 2023.
BY: Blaine LaFontaine, Chief Executive Officer
Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission
14054 Fred & Al Key Road Kiln, MS 39556
Publish: January 11, 2023, January 18, 2023

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
WHEREAS, on August 16, 2016, Ann Adele Blackledge Nettles executed a deed of trust for the benefit of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as beneficiary, as nominee for Whitney Bank DBA Hancock Bank, which deed of trust was recorded on August 18, 2016, in Book

2016, Page 17227 in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi; and Said Deed of Trust was last sold, assigned and transferred to BOKF, N.A. by assignment recorded in Book 2021, Page 39590 in the office of the Chancery Clerk, Hancock County, Mississippi. WHEREAS, the holder of the deed of trust at the time of the substitution substituted McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC as Trustee, as authorized by the terms thereof, by instrument recorded on November 22, 2021, and spread at large upon the records in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 2021, Page 39593, prior to the posting and publication of this notice; and WHEREAS, default having been made in the terms and conditions of the deed of trust, and the entire debt secured thereby having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of the deed of trust, and the legal holder of said indebtedness, BOKF, N.A., has requested the undersigned Substitute Trustee to execute the trust and sell said land, property and improvements in accordance with the terms of the deed of trust for the purpose of raising the sums due thereunder, together with attorney's fees, Substitute Trustee's fees and expenses of sale; THEREFORE, on February 1, 2023, the undersigned Substitute Trustee in the deed of trust, will offer for sale at public outcry and sell to the highest bidder for cash, within legal hours (being between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.) at the front door of the Hancock County Courthouse in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, the following described land, property and improvements lying and being situate in Hancock County, Mississippi, to-wit: Beginning at a point where the line between Lots 15 and 16, Third Ward, City of Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi, intersects the Southerly right of way line of Booker Street; thence South 70 degrees 00 minutes East 85.7 feet to an iron stake; thence South 20 degrees 00 minutes West 109 feet to an iron stake on a fence line; thence North 70 degrees 00 minutes West 85.7 feet along said fence to a corner fence post; thence North 20 degrees 00 minutes East 109.0 feet along a fence to the place of beginning. And being Lot 15 and the West 45.2 feet of Lot 14, Third Ward, City of Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi. I WILL CONVEY only such title as is vested in the Substitute Trustee.
WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this the 29th day of December, 2022
/-s-/ Robert M. Peebles, III
McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC
Substitute Trustee
1022 Highland Colony Parkway, Suite 304
Ridgeland, MS 39157-2049
(662) 388-5464
Foreclosurehotline.net
File No.: 21-01130MS
PUBLISH: 01/11/2023, 01/18/2023, 3/01/25/2023

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
DALE MERKORD PLAINTIFF vs. CAUSE NO. 23-cv-4-MA PRECISION METALS CORP.; KAPPA DEVELOPMENT & GENERAL CONTRACTING, INC.; THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, BY AND THROUGH ATTORNEY GENERAL LYNN FITCH; HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI; W. CROSBY PARKER IN HIS CAPACITY AS DISTRICT ATTORNEY FOR HANCOCK COUNTY; AND ANY AND ALL PERSONS HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE INTEREST IN AND TO THE WITHIN DESCRIBED LANDS SOLD FOR TAXES DEFENDANTS
SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI TO: PRECISION METALS CORP.; KAPPA DEVELOPMENT & GENERAL CONTRACTING, INC.; THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, BY AND THROUGH ATTORNEY GENERAL LYNN FITCH; HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI; W. CROSBY PARKER, IN HIS CAPACITY AS HANCOCK COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY; AND ANY AND ALL PERSONS HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE INTEREST IN AND TO THE WITHIN DESCRIBED LANDS SOLD FOR TAXES
NOTICE TO DEFENDANT
You have been made a Defendant in the suit filed in this Court

by DALE MERKORD seeking confirmation of title to the within described real property. The names of the other Defendants are set forth in the caption above. SAID PROPERTY BEING DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: Tax Parcel No. 138N-1-33-047.000
Lot 1 and the NW 40' of Lot 2, Square 172, Shoreline Park Subdivision, Unit 7, Addition 8, Hancock County, Mississippi. You are required to mail or hand-deliver a copy of a written response to the Complaint to Patrick A. Sheehan, the Attorney for the Plaintiff, whose address is 429 Porter Avenue, Ocean Springs, Mississippi 39564. Your response must be mailed or delivered not later than thirty (30) days after the 22 day of December 2022, which is the date of the first publication of this Summons. If your response is not so mailed or delivered, a Judgment by Default will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the complaint. You must also file the original of your response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time afterward. ISSUED UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL of said Court, this the 3 day of January 2023. TIMOTHY A. KELLAR, CHANCERY CLERK
HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
By: Bridgette Ladner
PUBLISHED: Sheehan & Ramsey, PLLC
429 Porter Avenue
Ocean Springs, MS 39564
(228) 875-0572
Publish Dates: Jan. 11, 2023, Jan. 18, 2023, and Jan. 25, 2023

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF PATRICIA JEWELL SEXTON, DECEASED
CAUSE NO. 23CH1:22-cv-00647-CB
MAX BREKENFELD, PETITIONER
RULE 81 SUMMONS (Summons by Publication)
THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI TO: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS-AT-LAW AND ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING ANY RIGHT, TITLE OR INTEREST AS HEIRS OF THE ESTATE OF PATRICIA JEWELL SEXTON, DECEASED, whose present residence address is unknown. You have been made a Respondent in the suit filed in this Court by Max Brekenfeld, Administrator of the Estate of Patricia Jewel Sexton, Deceased. The Petitioner is seeking to have Max Brekenfeld and Emma Brekenfeld adjudicated as the only heirs at law of Patricia Jewell Sexton, Deceased. You are summoned to appear and defend against the complaint or petition filed against you in this action in the Chancery Court of Harrison County, Mississippi, located in Gulfport, Mississippi before the Honorable Carter Bise at 9:00 a.m. on February 22, 2023, and in case of your failure to appear and defend, a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the complaint or petition. You are not required to file an answer or other pleading, but you may do so if you desire. Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this the 3 day of January, 2023.
CHANCERY CLERK
Bridgette Ladner, D.C.
PUBLISH: January 11th, 18th and 25th, 2023

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF PATRICIA JEWELL SEXTON, DECEASED
CAUSE NO. 23CH1:22-cv-00647-CB
MAX BREKENFELD, PETITIONER
RULE 4 SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI TO: THE WRONGFUL DEATH BENEFICIARIES AND ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING ANY RIGHT, TITLE OR INTEREST AS WRONGFUL DEATH BENEFICIARIES OF THE ESTATE OF PATRICIA JEWELL SEXTON, DECEASED, whose present residence address is unknown. You have been made a Respondent in the suit filed in this Court by Max Brekenfeld, Administrator of the Estate of PATRICIA JEWELL SEXTON, Deceased. The Petitioner is seeking to have Max Brekenfeld and Emma Brekenfeld adjudicated as the only wrongful death beneficiaries of Patricia Jewell Sexton, Deceased. You are summoned to appear and defend against the complaint or

petition filed against you in this action in the Chancery Court of Harrison County, Mississippi, located in Gulfport, Mississippi before the Honorable Carter Bise at 9:00 a.m. on February 22, 2023 which accords you 30 days from the date of the first publication as required by Miss. R. Civ. P. 4, and in case of your failure to appear and defend, a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the complaint or petition. You are not required to file an answer or other pleading, but you may do so if you desire. Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this the 3 day of January, 2023.
CHANCERY CLERK
BY: Bridgette Ladner, D.C.
PUBLISH: January 11th, 18th and 25th, 2023

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF PATRICIA JEWELL SEXTON, DECEASED
CAUSE NO. 23CH1:22-cv-00647-CB
MAX BREKENFELD PETITIONER
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Letters of Administration having been granted to the undersigned by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, on the Estate of Patricia Jewell Sexton, Deceased, on the 29th day of December, 2022, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against the said Estate to have their claims probated and registered by the Clerk of the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, within ninety (90) days from the first date of publication of this notice, and that failure to probate and register their claims with the Clerk within that time will forever bar the claim.
This the 29th day of December, 2022.
/ s/MAX BREKENFELD, Administrator of the Estate of PATRICIA JEWELL SEXTON, Deceased
JOE SAM OWEN (Bar No. 3965) OWEN and OWEN, P.L.L.C.
1414 25TH AVENUE
OWEN BUILDING
POST OFFICE DRAWER 420
GULFPORT, MS 39502-0420
TEL: (228) 868-2821
FAX: (228) 868-2813
Email: jso@owen-owen.com
PUBLISH DATES: Jan. 11th, 18th and 25th 2023

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF PETER MERTZ, JR., DECEASED
CAUSE NO: 23CH1:22-cv-00608-JS
JUDY MERTZ HIMEL, PETITIONER
EXECUTOR'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI COUNTY OF HANCOCK
Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 15th day of December, 2022, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the Estate of Peter Mertz, Jr., deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration according to law within ninety (90) days from this date, or they will be forever barred.
THIS 11th day of January, 2023.
s/JUDY MERTZ HIMEL
PUBLISH: January 11, 2023, January 18, 2023 and January 25, 2023

NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI COUNTY OF HANCOCK
WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms and conditions of a Deed of Trust dated July 10,

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2015, executed by CHRISTOPHER A CONNERS conveying certain real property therein described to LAUREL F. PAULK, PLLC, as Trustee, for MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS BENEFICIARY, AS NOMINEE FOR GMFS, LLC, Original Beneficiary, to secure the indebtedness therein described, as same appears of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi filed and recorded July 14, 2015, in Deed Book 2015, Page 13596; and WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was transferred and assigned to U.S. Bank National Association not in its individual capacity but solely as Trustee for RMTP Trust, Series 2021 BKM-TT-V; and WHEREAS, Rubin Lublin, LLC has been appointed as Substitute Trustee; and NOW, THEREFORE, the holder of said Deed of Trust, having requested the undersigned so to do, as Substitute Trustee or his duly appointed agent, by virtue of the power, duty and authority vested and imposed upon said Substitute Trustee shall, on February 15, 2023 within the lawful hours of sale between 11:00AM and 4:00PM at the front door of the Courthouse proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash or certified funds ONLY, the following described property situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, to wit: LOTS TWENTY-ONE (21) AND TWENTY-TWO (22), BLOCK FIFTEEN (15), CLERMONT HARBOR, HANCOCK COUNTY, STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, AS PER PLAT MADE BY JOHN L. PEARCE, SURVEYOR, AND FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CHANCERY CLERK IN BOOK OF TOWN PLATS, NUMBER 1, PAGES 49, 50, 52, ON MAY 31, 1911, OR ANY SUBSEQUENT UPDATES OR REVISIONS THEREOF, AND BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED TO THE CATHOLIC DIOCESES OF NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI ON NOVEMBER 1914 AND RECORDED IN DEED BOOK C-7 AT PAGE 404, AND ALSO BEING A PORTION OF THE PROPERTY CONVEYED BY THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF NATCHEZ-JACKSON TO MOST. REV. JOSEPH LAWSON HOWSE AND HIS SUCCESSORS IN OFFICE ON JUNE 6, 1977, AND RECORDED IN DEED BOOK AA-22 AT PAGE 143, IN THE OFFICE OF THE CHANCERY CLERK OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI. LESS AND EXCEPT: A PARCEL OF LAND BEING A 12 STRIP OF LAND, LOCATED ALONG THE SOUTH 12 FEET OF LOT TWENTY-ONE (21), BLOCK FIFTEEN (15), CLERMONT HARBOR SUBDIVISION, HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT AN IRON ROD LOCATED AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID LOT TWENTY-ONE (21), SAID IRON ROD ALSO LYING ON THE WEST MARGIN OF HERON STREET; THENCE RUN S 58 DEGREES 32 MINUTES 00 SECONDS W 153.50 FEET ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID LOT TWENTY-ONE (21) TO AN IRON ROD; THENCE RUN N 20 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 00 SECONDS W 12.24 FEET ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID LOT TWENTY-ONE (21); THENCE RUN PARALLEL WITH THE SOUTH LOT LINE OF LOT TWENTY-ONE (21) FOR 153.50 FEET TO A POINT LYING ON THE EAST LINE OF SAID LOT TWENTY-ONE (21), SAID POINT ALSO LYING ON THE WEST MARGIN OF HERON STREET; THENCE RUN S 20 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 00 SECONDS E 12.24 FEET ALONG SAID WEST MARGIN, BACK TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property is believed to be 5133 HERRON STREET, BAY ST LOUIS, MS 39520. In the event of any discrepancy between this street address and the legal description of the property, the legal description shall control. Title to the above described property is believed to be good, but I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Substitute Trustee. THIS LAW FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. Rubin Lublin, LLC 428 North Lamar Blvd, Suite 107 Oxford, MS 38655 rlselaw.com/property-listing Tel: (877) 813-0992 Fax: (470) 508-9401 PUBLISH: 01/18/2023, 01/25/2023, 02/01/2023, 02/08/2023

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CAUSE NO.: 23CH1:22-cv 00523-CB ROBERT DAHLSTROM, DECEASED DAVID PARDEE, PETITIONER SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION STATE OF MISSISSIPPI TO: Any and all unknown heirs-at-law of Robert Dahlstrom, de-

ceased whose place of residence, street and post office address are unknown to Petitioner after diligent search and inquiry. You have been made a Defendant in a Petition to Determine Heirs filed in this Court by David Pardee, Petitioner, seeking the determination of heirs at law of Robert Dahlstrom, deceased. Defendants other than you in this action are: any person with a claim as an heir-at-law or wrongful death beneficiary of Robert Dahlstrom. You are summoned to appear and defend against the complaint or petition filed against you in this action at 9:00 o'clock a.m. on the 15th day of February, 2023, in the courtroom of the Harrison County Courthouse, in Gulfport, Mississippi (1801 23rd Ave, Gulfport, MS 39501), and in case of your failure to appear and defend, a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the complaint or petition. You are not required to file an answer or pleading but you may do so if you desire. ISSUED under my hand and the seal of said Court, this the 6th day of January, 2023. Timothy A. Kellar, Hancock County Chancery Clerk s/Cassie Tribble, D.C. Publication Dates: January 11, 2023, January 18, 2023, and January 25, 2023

LEGAL NOTICE FORMAT FOR PUBLICATION OF ORIGINAL PERMIT APPLICATION I, Robert Michael White, I/We the member(s) of D&M Excursions LLC, intend to make application for: a On-Premises "Charter Ship" permit. As provided for by the Local Option Alcoholic Beverage Control Laws, Section 67-1-1, et seq., of the Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated. If granted such permit, I or We propose to operate as a limited liability company under the name of Betsy Ann Riverboat. Located at Bay St. Louis Municipal Harbor, 100 Jody Compretta Drive, Pier 3, Slip 53, Bay St. Louis MS 39520. The name, title and address of the owner/partner/corporate officer and/or majority stockholder/member/trustee of the above named businesses are: Robert Michael White, 8312 Maunalani Place, Diamondhead MS, 39525. I any person wished to request a hearing to object to the issuance of this permit a request for a hearing must be made in writing and received by the Department of Revenue within (15) fifteen days from the first date this notice was published. Requests shall be sent to: Chief Counsel, Legal Division, Department of Revenue P.O. Box 22828 Jackson, MS 39225 Dates of Publications: Jan. 11 and Jan. 18, 2023 This, the 9th day of January of 2023.

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI RE: THE GUARDIANSHIP OF NOAH CHAMPEAU, A MINOR CIVIL ACTION NO: 23CH1:22-cv-606-CB BY: KELSIE CHAMPEAU, TAYLOR RODERICK PETITIONERS AND DAVID DAVIS RESPONDENT SUMMONS THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI TO: DAVID DAVIS NOTICE TO DEFENDANT THE COMPLAINT OR PETITION WHICH IS ATTACHED TO THIS SUMMONS IS IMPORTANT AND YOU MUST TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR RIGHTS. You are summoned to appear and defend against the temporary relief sought in said Complaint or Petition at 9:00 a.m. on the 16th day of February, 2023, in the courtroom of the Harrison County, Chancery Court, Gulfport, Mississippi and in case of your failure to appear and defend a Judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the Complaint or Petition. You are not required to file an answer or other pleading but you may do so if you desire. Issued under my hand and seal of said Court, this the 6th day of January, 2023. TIM KELLAR CHANCERY CLERK, HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI BY: CASSIE TRIBBLE D.C. PUBLISH DATES: JANUARY 18, 2023, JANUARY 25, 2023, FEBRUARY 1, 2023

TRUSTEE'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF JOHN C. TROCHESSET, DECEASED AND KATHLEEN N. TROCHESSET, DECEASED STATE OF MISSISSIPPI COUNTY OF HANCOCK I, WILLIAM A. PENEGUY, duly authorized Trustee of THE JOHN AND KATHLEEN TROCHESSET REVOCABLE TRUST dated January 26, 2016, hereby give notice to all persons having claims against JOHN C. TROCHESSET, now deceased, and/or KATHLEEN N. TROCHESSET, now deceased, to present the same to the undersigned c/o Haas & Haas Attorneys, 201 N. Second Street, Bay Saint Louis, MS 39520 according to law. Failure to present the claim against the decedent to the Trustee within ninety (90) days of the date after the first publication of this notice

will forever bar the claim. This the 10th day of January, 2023. s/WILLIAM A. PENEGUY, TRUSTEE Caroline E. Haas, MS Bar No. 104525 Haas & Haas, Attorneys at Law 201 North Second Street Bay Saint Louis, MS 39520 Tel.: (228) 467-6574 Fax: (228) 467-6575 Publish dates: 1/18/2023; 1/25/2023; 2/1/2023

GST Capital Partners, LLC proposes the construction of a 305-ft (310-ft with appurtenances) AGL guyed communications tower associated with a proposed wireless telecommunications facility to be located at 23430 Standard Dedeaux Road, Pass Christian, Hancock County, Mississippi (Parcel ID: 056-0-24-002.000). The proposed tower will be located at 30° 30' 44.10" N, 89° 20' 43.89" W and is anticipated to be marked/lighted in accordance with FAA Advisory circular 70/7460-1 M, Obstruction Marking and Lighting, a med-dual system-Chapters 4,8(M-Dual),&15. Interested persons may review the application for this project at www.fcc.gov/asr/applications by entering the Antenna Structure Registration (ASR) Form 854 File Number A1236335. Interested persons may comment or raise environmental concerns about the proposed action by filing a Request for Environmental Review with the FCC within 30 days of this notice. Instructions for filing such requests can be found at www.fcc.gov/asr/environmentalrequest. The FCC strongly encourages all interested parties to file Requests for Environmental Review online. Parties wishing to submit a request by mail may send the request to: FCC Requests for Environmental Review, Attn: Ramon Williams, 445 12th Street SW, Washington, DC 20554. A copy of the request should also be mailed to: Delta Oaks Group, PLLC (Attn: Kermit Farrow) 4904 Professional Court, Raleigh, NC 27609. Publish Date: Jan. 18, 2023

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI Meghan Galarza, as Mother, Next Friend, Parent and Natural Guardian of D.G., a minor PLAINTIFFS/PETITIONERS vs. CAUSE NO. 23CH1:22-633-MA David Bowman, Nikki Bowman, and Permanent General Assurance Corporation of Ohio DEFENDANTS/PETITIONERS RULE 81 SUMMONS (Service by Publication; residence unknown) TO: Dustin Babin (Whereabouts Unknown) You have been made Defendant in the minor settlement proceeding filed in this Court by the Plaintiff Petitioner, Meghan Galarza. The Petition filed by Meghan Galarza to approve minor settlement of D.G. is against your interest. You are required to appear and show cause as to why this Petition should not be granted at: 9:00 a.m., on the 29th day of March, 2023, in the courtroom of the Hancock County Chancery Court located in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi. TIMOTHY A. KELLAR, HANCOCK COUNTY CHANCERY COURT CLERK, 152 Main Street, Ste. A, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520. ORDERED this the 12 day of January, 2023. TIMOTHY A. KELLAR, CHANCERY CLERK HANDOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI BY: CASSIE TRIBBLE, D.C. PUBLISH DATES: JAN. 18, 2023, JAN. 25, 2023, FEB. 1, 2023

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI Meghan Galarza, as Mother, Next Friend, Parent and Natural Guardian of C.C., a minor PLAINTIFFS/PETITIONERS vs. CAUSE NO. 23CH1:22-648-MA David Bowman, Nikki Bowman, and Permanent General Assurance Corporation of Ohio DEFENDANTS/PETITIONERS RULE 81 SUMMONS (Service by Publication; residence unknown) TO: Trae Cayouette (Whereabouts Unknown) You have been made Defendant in the minor settlement proceeding filed in this Court by the Plaintiff Petitioner, Meghan Galarza. The Petition filed by Meghan Galarza to approve minor settlement of C.C. is against your interest. You are required to appear and show cause as to why this Petition should not be granted at 9:00 a.m., on the 29th day of March, 2023, in the courtroom of the Hancock County Chancery Court located in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi. TIMOTHY A. KELLAR, HANCOCK COUNTY CHANCERY COURT CLERK, 152 Main Street, Ste. A, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520. ORDERED this the 12 day of January, 2023. TIMOTHY A. KELLAR, CHANCERY CLERK HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI BY: CASSIE TRIBBLE, D.C. PUBLISH DATES: JAN. 18,

2023, JAN. 25, 2023, FEB. 1, 2023 IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: RALPH EUGENE LANGHORNE, DECEASED CAUSE NO. 23CH1:22-cv-613-JP AMBER D. LaFONTEAINE, ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE TO CREDITORS Notice is hereby given that Letters of Administration were granted to the undersigned as Administratrix of the Estate of RALPH EUGENE LANGHORNE, deceased, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, on or about the 2nd day of December, 2022, in the above styled and numbered cause, in said Court; and notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to have the same probated and registered by the Clerk of the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi within ninety (90) days from the date of first publication hereof, and that failure to probate and register any such claim within said ninety (90) day period will forever bar the same. THIS, the 9th day of December, 2022. s/Amber D. LaFontaine AMBER D. LAFONTEAINE, Administratrix Preston J. Mauffray (MSB #101131) Attorney at Law, PLLC P.O. Box 4272 Bay St. Louis, Mississippi 39521 Telephone: (228) 216-6124 Facsimile: (866) 216-6124 PUBLISH ON: 1/18/2023; 1/25/2023; and 2/01/2023

NOTICE TO BIDDERS Sealed bids will be received by the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County, Bay St. Louis, MS, until 10:00 a.m. ,Monday, February 6, 2023 and shortly thereafter publicly opened for providing the following to Hancock County, for a period of one year beginning at bid acceptance until December 31, 2023 or until a new bid is accepted: High Polymer Micro Surfacing, Hot Bituminous In Place & Picked Up, Liquid Asphalt, Micro-Surfacing & Seals, Pest Control Services, , as well as, anything vendor feels the County may need throughout the year. Bid specifications are available, upon request, from Britney Johnson of the Hancock County Purchasing Department, 854 Hwy 90, Suite A, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 or by calling 228-395-1506, or by visiting: https://hancockcounty.ms.gov/departments/purchasing/ All envelopes must be marked on the outside of the envelope "BID ENCLOSED" and listing the bid item and bid opening date. All envelopes must be date and time stamped and filed in the Hancock County Board of Supervisors Office, 854 Hwy 90, Suite A, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 before 10 a.m. on the day of the bid opening. The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids. Published by Order of the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County, Mississippi, on the 17th day of January, 2023. Scotty Adam, President Board of Supervisors Hancock County, Mississippi By/Valerie Fitts, D.C. Publish Dates: January 18, 2023 January 25, 2023

NOTICE OF INVITATION FOR BIDS Sealed bids will be received by the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County, Mississippi, until 10:00 a.m. on Monday, February 6, 2023, and said bids are to be opened and read aloud in the Board of Supervisors' Meeting Room located at 854 Highway 90, Suite A, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520, regarding the following: BIDS WILL BE RECEIVED FROM ANY AND ALL BANKS LOCATED IN HANCOCK COUNTY OR ANY OTHER QUALIFIED DEPOSITORY FOR THE PRIVILEGE OF KEEPING ANY OR ALL HANCOCK COUNTY FUNDS OR ANY FUNDS OF OTHER DEPARTMENTS, AGENCIES OR OFFICIALS ASSOCIATED WITH HANCOCK COUNTY, AS AUTHORIZED BY SECTIONS 27-105-305 AND 27-105-315, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, ANNOTATED, FOR A PERIOD OF TWO YEARS THROUGH DECEMBER, 2024. Financial institutions desiring to be a County depository must meet the requirements of Sections 27-105-305 and 27-105-315, Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated. Bid specifications may be obtained from the Hancock County Board of Supervisors' Office, 854 Highway 90, Suite A, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520. All bids must be on file with the Secretary of the Board on or prior to the hour and date first mentioned above, and must be sealed and clearly marked on the outside of the envelope: "Bid for keeping Hancock County Funds, to be opened, 2023." Envelopes not so marked are submitted at the risk of the bank submitting said bids, and the County assumes no responsibility for premature opening of same by any County employee. Bids sent through the U.S. Mail

are done so at the risk of the bank submitting said bid and should be addressed to the Board of Supervisors, 854 Highway 90, Suite A, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520. Bids may be delivered to Hancock County Board of Supervisors, 854 Highway 90, Suite A, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520, no later than FEBRUARY 6, 2023, AT 10:00 A.M. The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informalities and to award in the best interest of Hancock County. Published by Order of the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County, Mississippi, this the 3rd day of January, 2023. Scotty Adam, President Board of Supervisors Hancock County, MS "BID SPECIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS" These Bid Specifications and requirements are for the "Privilege of Keeping County Funds, or any part thereof, as authorized by Section 27-105-305, Mississippi of 1972, for a Period of Two Years." 1. All bidders must meet the requirements of Section 27-105-305 and 27-105-315. Please include a statement as to the qualification of the financial institution as a public funds depository. 2. Banks must agree to place on deposit and to maintain security in the amount provided by law, with said security to be authorized by and acceptable to the County as security for funds on deposit. 3. Banks must keep all of the records of all funds in County Depositories for the term of the bid, if awarded and to comply with the law and regulations regarding County depositories. The financial institution the bid as the County depository must provide and agree to do the following: 1. The proposed rate of interest to be paid on accounts for Hancock County funds and the proposed interest will be paid, calculated and compounded, if applicable. 2. Provide services such as stop payments, deposit books, records searches and other services associated with the keeping of County funds at no cost to the County. PUBLISH DATES: JANUARY 18, 2023, JANUARY 25, 2023 REQUEST FOR QUALIFIED CONTRACTORS FOR EMERGENCY POWER RESTORATION COAST ELECTRIC POWER ASSOCIATION Coast Electric Power Association is requesting information for qualified businesses that would be interested in providing service for our electric distribution system during a major power outage disaster. This includes system restoration/construction, right-of-way clearing, and substation restoration. Please submit the name of the company, contact person, phone number, and address as soon as possible. Companies interested should also provide qualifications and a list of references if applicable. contracting@coastepa.com Coast Electric reserves the right to award based on "best value" and Coast Electric reserves the right to award contract to other than lowest price offered. Coast Electric Power Association is an equal opportunity employer and provider. PUBLISH DATES: JANUARY 18, 2023, JANUARY 25, 2023 STATE OF MISSISSIPPI COUNTY OF HANCOCK TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE WHEREAS, on the 6th day of May, 2022, Matthew Schmitt, and Lacey Schmitt, executed a Deed of Trust to Joshua W. Closson, Trustee for the benefit of H L & C – HANCOCK, LLC., a Mississippi limited liability company, which said Deed of Trust is recorded in Deed of Trust Book 2022, Page 15303, in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi. WHEREAS, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust and HL&C – HANCOCK, LLC., a Mississippi limited liability company, the holder of the Note and Deed of Trust, having requested the undersigned Trustee so to do, I will on the 7th day of February, 2023, offer for sale at public outcry and sell during the legal hours, between 11:00 A.M. o'clock and 4:00 P.M. o'clock, at the front door steps of the Hancock County Courthouse of Bay St Louis, Mississippi, for cash to the highest bidder, the following described property lying and being situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, being more particularly described as follows, to-wit: 712 St. Joseph Street Waveland, MS 39576 PARCEL #1: Commencing at an iron pipe where the line between Lots 50 & 52, Fourth Ward, Town of Waveland, Hancock County, Mississippi, intersects the Easterly right-of-way of St. Joseph Street (which point is North 45 degrees West 300 feet from the point where the line between Lots 50 and 52 intersects the North-west line of Lot 14, Waveland Gardens Subdivision); thence South 45 degrees East along said line between Lots 50 and 52, 125 feet to the point of beginning, being an iron pipe; thence South 45 degrees East along the line between Lots 50 and 52, 100 feet; thence North 45 degrees East 80 feet to the Southwesterly line of Garden Lane; thence North 45 degrees West 100 feet; thence South 45 degrees West 80 feet to the point of beginning. Said property being part of Lot 50, FOURTH WARD, Town of Waveland, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per the present official map or plat of said Town on file in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi. PARCEL #2: Beginning at an iron pipe where the line between Lots 50 and 52, Fourth Ward, Town of Waveland, Hancock County, Mississippi, intersects the Easterly right-of-way line of St. Joseph Street, which point is North 45 degrees West, 300 feet from the point where the line between Lots 50 and 52 intersects the Northwesterly line of Lot 14, Waveland Gardens Subdivision; thence South 45 degrees East, along said line between Lots 50 and 52, 125 feet to an iron pipe; thence North 45 degrees East, 80 feet to an iron pipe on the Southwesterly right-of-way line of Garden Lane; thence North 45 degrees West, 210.6 feet to an iron pipe on the Easterly right-of-way line of St. Joseph Street; thence Southerly along said Easterly right-of-way line of St. Joseph Street, 117.13 feet to the point of beginning; being a part of Lot 50, Fourth Ward, Town of Waveland, Hancock County, Mississippi. This property conveyed is the same property conveyed to Thelma Marie Millsap by Helen Clark Merwin as per deed recorded in Book X-7, Pag 87 of the Deed Records of Hancock County, Mississippi. The above-described parcels are subject to any restrictive covenants, reservations, and easement of record. PARCEL #3: Beginning at a point where the line between Lots 50 and 52 intersects the Easterly right-of-way of St. Joseph Street, Fourth Ward, Town of Waveland, Hancock County, Mississippi; thence South 45 degrees East along said line 275 feet to a point; thence South 45 degrees West 100 feet to the lot line between Lots 52 and 54, Fourth Ward, Town of Waveland, Hancock County, Mississippi, thence North 45 degrees West along said line to the Easterly right-of-way of St. Joseph Street; thence North along said right-of-way to the point of beginning. Said land being part of Lot 52, FOURTH WARD, Town of Waveland, Hancock County, Mississippi. Parcel number 161D-0-02-141.000 I will convey only such title as vested in me as such Trustee. WITNESS my signature, upon this, the 4th day of January, A.D., 2023. Joshua W. Closson, Trustee PUBLISH DATES: January 11, 2023 January 18, 2023 January 25, 2023 February 1, 2023

136 Automobile

NOTICE OF ABANDONED VEHICLES

The following vehicles listed below will be sold starting Feb. 10, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. at the location below:

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JANUARY 19

• The Hancock County Historical Society luncheon will begin at noon. The featured speaker is Pat Murphy who will talk about growing up in the Bay in 1950s, '60's, and '70's. His soon to be published book "Growing up Downtown" will expound on his fond memories of life here in the Bay. Everyone is welcome to attend. Make reservations by noon on Wednesday, Jan. 18 by calling 228-467-4090. Members pay \$15 and guests pay \$17. It is also time to renew membership and be a part of our history family. The location is the Kate Lobrano house, located at 108 Cue St. in Bay St. Louis.

JANUARY 20

• The Bourgeois-Stiefel-Ray American Legion Post 77, located at 503 Waveland Ave., will host a Special Bingo Weekend. Proceeds will go to the families of fallen officers Sgt. Steven Robin and Officer Branden Estorffe. With 100 or more players, the blackout game payout is a minimum of \$1,000 and all regular game payouts will alternate between \$100/\$125. Families welcome, however, all in attendance must buy pack. Cash only - ATM on site. Doors open at 5 p.m. Warm up games begin at 6:30 p.m. Regular games begin at 7:30 p.m. Special kitchen menu for the event. For health and safety of all patrons, on outside food or containers are allowed. For more information, call 228-467-9637 or visit www.legionpost77ms.org.

JANUARY 21

• Sit, Stay, READ! Children's Reading Program will be held Pass Christian Public Library, located at 111 Hiern Ave., Pass Christian from 10 a.m. to noon. The Visiting Pet Teams of South Mississippi provides a fun way for children to improve their communication and reading skills while visiting with a four-legged friend. Reading sessions last for 30 minutes. The program is free. Children must not be afraid of or allergic to animals. For more info, call 228-452-4596 or email passchristianlibrary@gmail.com.

JANUARY 22

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• Adult Faith Formation classes will be held every Sunday at 10 a.m. before 11 a.m. Mass in the Most Holy Trinity Catholic Church Parish Hall. Attendance was greater than 100 for the first lecture, "Eucharist" on Jan. 15 and "The History of Anti-Catholicism" will be presented on Jan. 22.

FEBRUARY 1

• If you have lost someone you love and still suffering the pain of loss or know someone who is going through this, there is help. There is a six-week Grief Support Group meeting beginning today. The group will meet at St. Thomas Episcopal Church at 5303 Diamondhead Circle and meetings begin at 3 p.m. and last for one hour. Sessions are free to the participants. For more information, contact Cornelia at 228-363-2211 or St. Thomas Episcopal Church at 228-255-9213. It is facilitated by experienced counselors who want to help people process their loss and move forward in a healthy and positive way.

FEBRUARY 9

• The 100 Men Hall, located at 303 Union St., Bay St. Louis, will host a screening of Andrew Abrahams' and Herb Ferrette's "American Justice on Trial: People

v. Newton" at 6 p.m. The documentary revisits Black Panther co-founder Huey Newton's 1968 murder trial. The film is based on part-time BSL resident Lisa Pearlman's book "The Sky's the Limit: People v. Newton, The REAL Trial of the 20th Century?" Pearlman will be present for a Q&A after the screening. Pass Christian Books will have available both of her books "The Sky's the Limit: People v. Newton, The REAL Trial of the 20th Century?" And "Call Me Phaedra: The Life and Times of Movement Lawyer Fay Stender" for purchase. If you would like to have your book signed by the author, only books purchased from Pass Books will be signed by the author at the event. The screening is free to the public, but event coordinators ask that attendees secure a free ticket online at www.the100menhall.com/products/american-justice-on-trial to make sure adequate seating is available. Doors and a cash/credit bar will open at 5:30 p.m.

FEBRUARY 11

• The Krewe of Real People will host its 5th annual Mardi Gras Ball. Doors open at 6 p.m. Event begins at 7 p.m. at 301 Blaize Ave., Bay St. Louis. Tables \$200 each, seat 8 people. Individual tickets \$30. Contact Lonnie Bradley Jr. at 228-671-1039.

FEBRUARY 18

• Sit, Stay, READ! Children's Reading Program will be held Pass Christian Public Library, located at 111 Hiern Ave., Pass Christian from 10 a.m. to noon. The Visiting Pet Teams of South Mississippi provides a fun way for children to improve their communication and reading skills while visiting with a four-legged friend. Reading sessions last for 30 minutes. The program is free. Children must not be afraid of or allergic to animals. For more info, call 228-452-4596 or email passchristianlibrary@gmail.com.

FEBRUARY 21

• The Krewe of Real People Mardi Gras Parade will line up at 10 a.m. on Bookter Street in Bay St. Louis. Parade begins at 1 p.m. The route is Bookter Street and Nacaise Avenue, to Main Street, N. Beach Blvd, Union Street, Blaize, Avenue, Sycamore Street, and return to Bookter Street. There is a \$25 registration fee for all participants. Floats, bands, car

clubs, golf carts, dance teams, jeep clubs are all welcome. Contact Deven Daniels at deven.daniels@eagles.usm.edu, Leo Hawkins, or Lonnie Bradley.

MARCH 18

• Sit, Stay, READ! Children's Reading Program will be held Pass Christian Public Library, located at 111 Hiern Ave., Pass Christian from 10 a.m. to noon. The Visiting Pet Teams of South Mississippi provides a fun way for children to improve their communication and reading skills while visiting with a four-legged friend. Reading sessions last for 30 minutes. The program is free. Children must not be afraid of or allergic to animals. For more info, call 228-452-4596 or email passchristianlibrary@gmail.com.

APRIL 15

• Sit, Stay, READ! Children's Reading Program will be held Pass Christian Public Library, located at 111 Hiern Ave., Pass Christian from 10 a.m. to noon. The Visiting Pet Teams of South Mississippi provides a fun way for children to improve their communication and reading skills while visiting with a four-legged friend. Reading sessions last for 30 minutes. The program is free. Children must not be afraid of or allergic to animals. For more info, call 228-452-4596 or email passchristianlibrary@gmail.com.

MAY 9

• Women, Wine, and Wisdom will welcome Lt. Governor Delbert Hosemann at 5:30 p.m. at the Blue Rose, located at 120 W. Scenic Dr., Pass

Christian. Small bites and cash bar. \$50. Hosted by Starr Chapman, Nell Frisbie, Monica Ladner, and Angie Kothmann. RSVP: Monica Ladner at 228-669-7119. For more, visit Facebook at Women, Wine, and Wisdom MS.

Disclaimer: Events featured on the calendar page are printed at no charge and space permitting. Please keep submissions limited to about 100 words or less. Submissions are limited to community, educational, churches and non-profit organizations. Please submit your calendar entries electronically to cassandra@seacoastecho.com.



Hancock County Tax Assessor / Collector

Homestead Exemption Applications Accepted

Homestead exemption applications will be accepted from **January 3, 2023 through March 31, 2023**, office located at 854 Highway 90 Suite C., Applications must be filed in the Bay St. Louis office of Hancock County Tax Assessor between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. You must be living in your home on or before **January 1, 2023** to qualify for homestead exemption. The property must be your primary residence in order to qualify.

The following information is needed to file your application.

A) Warranty deed
B) Cost of property
C) Down payment amount
D) License plate numbers for vehicles registered in Hancock County.
(All vehicles owned must be registered in Hancock County.)
E) If you are age 65 or older, proof of age is required
F) If you are receiving 100% disability benefits, proof of your disability is required
G) Is any part of the property rented

You must re-file your homestead exemption application if

A) You became over 65 on or before **January 1, 2023**
B) You became 100% disabled service Connected veteran on or before **January 1, 2023**
C) You acquired a new residence
D) You acquired additional property that adjoins your homestead
E) Your marital status changed (divorced, widowed, separated, etc.)

If you have any questions please call

228-467-5727

Jimmie Ladner, Jr. • Tax Assessor/Collector Hancock County

BSLLT presents 13th Annual
STELLA YELLING CONTEST!

SEA COAST ECHO

The Bay St. Louis Little Theatre will host the 13th Annual Stella Yelling Contest on Saturday, March 25 at 4pm at the Bay St. Louis Little Theatre on Blaize Avenue. The popular annual event is sponsored by the Silver Slipper Casino. The event has become one of the community's favorite traditions. Everyone in the community can attend the event and cheer on the contestants! The Stella Yelling Contest is free to the community. Contestants are not limited to gender or age. All participants are welcome! Each con-

testant should be prepared to give their best Stanley Kowalski "Stella" yell to the Little Theatre's Stella as she stands on the Theatre's balcony. Stanley and Stella are characters of the Tennessee Williams' play "A Streetcar Named Desire."

The contestant fee is \$10 in check or cash. Contestants must register on site before 3:30pm on March 25th.

In the ADULT DIVISION, first prize is \$150 and a trophy, second prize is \$100, and third prize is \$50. In the CHILDREN DIVISION (ages 12 and under), first prize is \$50 and a trophy,

second prize is \$35, and third prize is \$25.

The Little Theatre holds the contest every year as part of their Tennessee Williams' Tribute to celebrate Tennessee Williams' birthday. The Bay St. Louis Little Theatre has a connection with the Pulitzer Prize winning playwright because the Theatre building was the primary set for the Hollywood motion picture "This Property is Condemned" adapted from a one-act play by Williams.

For more details. Call 228-467-9024 or visit bsllt.org.

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Hancock honors Hawk football team members



Photo courtesy of Hancock High School

Members of the 2022 Hancock Hawks' varsity football team with their All-In Awards.

BY JOSEPH W. GEX, II
STAFF WRITER

Hancock High School honored the 2022 varsity football team with a banquet meal and awards

ceremony on Wednesday, January 4. In addition to recognizing players for their years of participation on the field, the school and outside organizations presented

special awards to members of the Hawks' team. FUTRHRO recognized Zach Gullung as Offensive Player of the Year and Jeffrey Hopgood as Defensive Play-



Photo courtesy of Hancock High School

Mason Cranmer (left) and Randy Sullivan with their Hawk Awards.

er of the Year.

Members of the All-Sea Coast Echo football team were presented certificates recognizing their accomplishment. The list of Hawk players

included Bryce Ladner, Landon Dewitt, Zach Gullung, Jeffrey Hopgood, and Ryder Island.

Members of the All-Region 4-6A MVP team were Bryce Lad-

ner, Zach Gullung, and Jeffrey Hopgood. First-team selections included Kasey Wheat, Ryder Island, Mason Cranmer, Neil Acker, and Destin Coleman. Second-team selections were Kristoff Ganier, Xavier Ganier, Coby Kern, Tanner Ladner, Landon Dewitt, Devon Biddle, and Finn Cowan.

Hancock presented "ALL-IN" awards to Jeffrey Hopgood, Todd Dedeaux, Dylan Moran, Xavier Ganier, Kristoff Ganier, Justiss Meager, Ryder Island, and Landon Dewitt.

A "Hawk Award" was presented to a deserving individual on offense and defense. Mason Cranmer was presented the Offense Hawk Award while Randy Sullivan was given the Defense Hawk Award.

Lady Hawks split with Gulfport & Harrison Central, Rocks top Tigers in soccer

BY JOSEPH W. GEX, II
STAFF WRITER

The high school soccer season will be wrapping up the regular season this week. Several area teams will advance to the postseason beginning next week. High school basketball is beginning the downward spiral to the end of their regular season with about three weeks left before division tournaments.

BASKETBALL

The Bay High Tigers dropped their game against Moss Point last week 43-24 while the Lady Tigers slipped past Moss Point 34-33. The Tigers are 10-11 and 2-2 while the Lady Tigers are 12-9 and 3-1.

The Hancock Lady Hawks are the state's top-ranked girls team. They dropped a game with Gulfport last week 49-37. Anslee James led the way with 11 points. On Friday, the Lady Hawks rebounded to beat the Harrison Central Red Rebelettes 62-44 as Brooklyn Cuevas exploded for 20 points followed by James with 15 and Riley Bishop with 14 points. On Saturday, Hancock traveled to Biloxi to take McGill-Toolen. Hancock won the

game 39-38 behind Cuevas' 13 points and Talana Bond's 10 points. The Lady Hawks are now 22-1 overall. Hancock Lady Hawks head coach Jamie Sisco commented, "After our first loss of the season, I was curious to see how our team would respond. We talked about added pressure and attention because of our success so far this season. I am very proud of how they bounced back this evening. At this point, it is a matter of making minor adjustments and continue to do the things that got us to this point."

The Hawks (11-12, 0-4) dropped two hard fought contests last week to Gulfport and Harrison Central. The Hawks fell to Gulfport 55-39 and Harrison Central 52-47. Against Gulfport, Donte Taylor scored 14 points followed by Mike Washington with 11 and Jackson Corey with 8 points and 9 rebounds. Against Harrison Central, Washington had 15 points. Hancock Hawks head coach Colin Goley stated, "We started the game down 18-3 and battled back to be down just four points at halftime. The players have worked hard but that close win still eludes us. We have to persevere and be diligent

in continuing to deliver each night. We will eventually be rewarded."

The Pass Christian Pirates (16-6, 4-0) remained atop the Division 8-4A standings with wins over Moss Point 54-43 and Greene County 51-48. The Lady Pirates (14-7, 4-0) defeated Moss Point 39-24 and Greene County 44-28.

Our Lady Academy (1-13, 1-3) picked up their first win of the season with a 45-16 decision over Perry Central and a 62-10 loss to Jefferson Davis County and a 49-9 loss to West Marion.

Saint Stanislaus (7-13, 2-4) dropped two close games this past week to Jefferson Davis County 43-37 and West Marion 48-39.

SOCCER

The Bay High Tigers (10-5-2, 3-2) dropped a cross-town rivalry game with Saint Stanislaus last week 4-2. Both goals for the Tigers were netted by Aiden Boudro. SSC head coach Zach Villarrubia commented, "We are beginning to get the players to make the right decisions on the field that will give us the best chance at success on goals. This has been shown in our three consecutive wins." The Rocks (7-5-1, 2-3) fell to St. Patrick 1-0 on Friday

evening.

The Lady Tigers dropped a game to Sacred Heart 2-1 last week to fall to 6-9-3, 2-3). Chloe Knight scored the lone goal and was assisted by Mia Middleton.

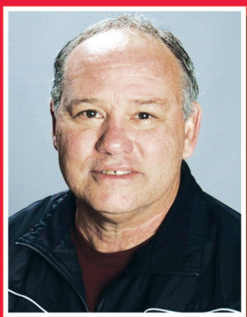
The Hancock Lady Hawks (3-11-1, 1-3) tallied a 2-1 decision over Harrison Central as Josey Smith recorded a goal and an assist in the win. The Lady Hawks also dropped a game with Gulfport 8-0.

The Hawks (1-13-1, 0-4) dropped their game with Gulfport 4-0 but game details were not available for the Harrison Central game.

Pass Christian was swept by Stone with the girls falling 2-0 and the boys losing 3-1. The Lady Pirates fall to 8-4-2, 4-1 and the boys 13-6-1, 4-1.

OLA beat Resurrection 7-0 and dropped their game to St. Patrick 1-0 to fall to 2-8-1, 2-2. The Rocks beat Bay High 4-2 and dropped a game against St. Patrick 1-0 to fall to 7-5-1, 2-3.

The postseason for soccer begins next week.



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THURSDAY 1-19-23

- **Basketball:** OLA vs Pope John Paul II, 6 p.m.
- **Basketball:** Saint Stanislaus vs St. Patrick, 6 p.m.
- **Soccer:** Hancock vs Vancleave (Senior Night) 5:30 p.m./7 p.m.
- **Soccer:** Pass Christian (boys) vs Gulfport, 7 p.m.
- **Soccer:** Saint Stanislaus vs Sacred Heart, 7 p.m.



FRIDAY 1-20-23

- **Basketball:** Bay High vs Greene County, 6 p.m./7:30 p.m.
- **Basketball:** Hancock vs Stone, 6 p.m./7:30 p.m.
- **Basketball:** Pass Christian vs Moss Point, 6 p.m./7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY 1-24-23

- **Basketball:** Bay High vs Pass Christian, 6 p.m./7:30 p.m.
- **Basketball:** Hancock vs Ocean Springs, 6 p.m./7:30 p.m.
- **Basketball:** OLA vs Tylertown, 5 p.m.
- **Basketball:** Saint Stanislaus vs Tylertown, 7:30 p.m.

Shore Thing: Talking Tuna



Shore Thing
Fishing Report
BY CPT. SONNY SCHINDLER

It’s hard for me to find a podcast that captures my undivided attention. Usually after a couple episodes I looe interest, and wander aimlessly looking for the next best thing. There has been one exception to this, and that’s the “Tuna Town Talks” podcast with Capt Paul Miller.

This has been the only series that has completely gotten me hooked. Every morning, while I’m running all over town getting bait, ice, fuel etc, I’m enjoying Capt Paul’s podcast. It’s a diverse mix of fishing guides, scientists, boat builders, and just interesting people. Some of folks on his podcast I’ve fished/worked with, And others I’ve definitely wanted to meet. Everyone has a story, and Paul has a way of getting the best ones out of each of his guests. Miller is a Mississippi boy, from Ocean Springs. He has worked for several years for the famed Mexican Gulf Fishing Company, based outta Venice, LA. He is a skilled offshore guide, and has become

an expert inshore guide as well. Miller himself has had some incredible catches. From catching monster swordfish out of bay boat, to numerous 30 plus pound triple tails, he’s got an impressive list of trophy catches. His fellow guides and deckhands in MGFC have some riveting stories from their days at sea. Episode 1 of the Podcast has legendary Capt Mike Frenette!!! For those of you unaware, Frenette basically started offshore charter fishing out of south Louisiana. The podcast banter is easy to follow, and the stories are often times unbelievable! You’ll hear stories of 1,000 pound blue marlin, gigantic speckled trout, and massive yellowfin

tuna, to name a very few. Each episode has a little dose of history, each guests take on conservation, a lot of humor and plenty of amazing fish stories. Miller was kind enough to make the drive over to Bayou Caddy recently for a chat. What was scheduled to be around a one hour podcast session, was half a day treat. We spent over 2hrs on the podcast, and several hours just chatting. His passion for the outdoors, diving, traveling and conservation is very admirable. Capt Paul done a lot in his 26years on this earth, and it sounds like he’s just getting warmed up. If you’re into fishing, do yourself a favor and listen to Tuna Town Talks podcast. I promise you, you will not be disappointed.



Photo courtesy of Sonny Schindler
Capt Paul with a gigantic triple tail caught on a custom cane pole.

SSC Senior receives awards



Photo submitted
St. Stanislaus College student-athlete Layne Hearty recently received the 2022 J.E. Loiacano Award for Outstanding Off-Season Dedication to the school’s football program. He also received the Varsity Letterman Award. Layne is a senior at SSC.



Photo courtesy of Hancock High School Army JROTC
The Hancock High School Army JROTC Drill Team competed in the Mississippi State Army JROTC Drill Championship in December at Greyhound Stadium in Ocean Springs. The Hancock team placed 3rd Overall in both the Armed and UnArmed Drill categories, earning the right to be one of the top three Army Drill teams in the State of Mississippi. There are more than 50 Army JROTC programs in the state of Mississippi. This is a first for the Hawk Battalion program in 28 years. “This team has overcome so much to reach these superb results and they are to be congratulated for their outstanding efforts, Maj. R. Kevin James (Ret.), senior army instructor, said. The Hawk Battalion is Commanded by Cadet Lieutenant Colonel Ryan Meade (HHS Senior). The Battalion Executive Officer is Cadet Major Lillian Baxter (HHS Senior). The Senior Army Instructor for the Hancock High School Army JROTC is Army Retired Major Rogers Kevin James Sr. “This team epitomizes HAWK PRIDE!” James said.

• NAACP

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required documentation to ratify the 13th Amendment until February 7, 2013, meaning it had never officially abolished slavery. A lasting result of the legacy of slavery is the continuing practice of discrimination and voter suppression in our nation. Across many states, we have seen efforts to make it more difficult for citizens to vote and to suppress the teaching of an accurate history of our country. Slavery DID exist. It is an ugly part of our history. That cannot be changed and should not be ignored. Our children must be told the truth regardless of how uncomfortable it is. In December 2022, the FBI released hate crime statistics for the year 2021. There were over nine thousand victims of hate crimes. 64.8% of those victims

were targeted because of their race or ethnicity. African American hate crime victims continue to be the largest bias category. The Southern Poverty Law Center tracks hate groups. They reported 733 hate groups in 2021. The U.S. Department of Homeland Security reported in 2020 that white supremacists present the greatest terror threat our country faces. This tells us that the fight for equality is not over. There is still much work to be done. The NAACP has been in this fight for over 110 years. We will continue our efforts to do our part in the effort to form a more perfect union. If you would like to join our organization or need to renew your membership, email us at hancocknaacpnews@yahoo.com and we will get you an application. The Branch monthly meetings are held on the second Monday of the month at Morning Star Baptist Church on Sycamore Street in the Bay at 6:00pm and are open to the public.

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK



Jackson Corey

BASKETBALL

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

The boys' Basketball Player of the Week is Hancock's **Jackson Corey**. In losses to Gulfport and Harrison Central last week, Corey had solid games in the front court for the Hawks. Against Gulfport, Corey scored 8 points and grabbed 9 rebounds while adding 21 points and 8 rebounds against Harrison Central.



Talana Bond

The girls' Basketball Player of the Week is Hancock's **Talana Bond**. She helped Hancock to a 2-1 record last week against Gulfport, Harrison Central, and McGill-Toolen. Against McGill-Toolen, Bond scored 10 points while adding 9 points against Gulfport and 7 points against Harrison Central.



Aiden Boudro

SOCCER

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

The boys' Soccer Player of the Week is Bay High's **Aiden Boudro**. The Tigers lost to Saint Stanislaus last week 4-2 and Boudro scored both goals for the Tigers.



Josey Smith

The girls' soccer Player of the Week is Hancock's **Josey Smith**. She tallied a goal and an assist in a 2-1 win against Harrison Central last week.



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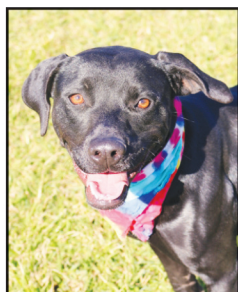
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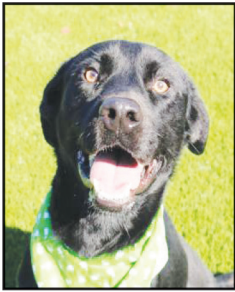
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